

Open Heaven 17 October 2026 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heaven 17 October 2026 devotional for today is SHIELDED BY HIS FIRE.

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OPEN HEAVENS 17 OCTOBER 2026 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: SHIELDED BY HIS FIRE

MEMORISE:

Understand therefore this day, that the LORD thy God is he which goeth over before thee; as a consuming fire he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly, as the LORD hath said unto thee.
Deuteronomy 9:3

READ: Exodus 14:19-24

And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them:
20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.
21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.
23 And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaohâ??s horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.
24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians.

RCCG OPEN HEAVENS 17 OCTOBER 2026 TODAY MESSAGE

For our God is a consuming fire.
Hebrews 12:29

There is something you need to understand about fire: whenever it touches anything, it transforms that thing into itself. If it touches a piece of cloth and it begins to burn, that piece of cloth will be said to have caught fire. Also, if it comes in contact with wood, it will ignite the wood, and that wood is then referred to as firewood. Similarly, anyone who is a child of God, the Consuming Fire, is automatically shielded by His fire. In Zechariah 2:5, the Bible says, â??For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her.â?•

In Judges 15:14-15, Samson was bound with ropes and was presented before his enemies. His enemies thought that they had already subdued him; however, the fire of God came upon him mightily, and the ropes were burnt. The Bible tells us that he killed a thousand of them thereafter. Beloved, I decree today that the Consuming Fire will deal with whoever might be trying to put you in any form of bondage, in Jesusâ?? name.

Daniel 3:1-30 is a well-known story of how Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were cast into the fiery furnace because they refused to bow down to worship the kingâ??s golden image. The fire was so hot that it killed those who threw them in it. However, because God was with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, only the ropes that were used to bind them were burnt; the Consuming Fire shielded them from the fire, and they came out of it unhurt.

I remember the testimony of one of my sons, who partook of the Holy Communion during one of the Holy Ghost Services. Before then, doctors had been struggling to identify what was causing him pain inside his throat. However, after partaking of the Holy Communion, the Consuming Fire dealt with what was causing him pain, and he was completely healed. I decree that whatever my Father has not planted in your body will be uprooted and consumed by fire, in Jesusâ?? name.

In todayâ??s Bible reading, we see that while the Consuming Fire was a light and a shield to the Israelites, it was a terror to the Egyptians. Beloved, if you want to be shielded by the Consuming Fire and not consumed by Him, you must belong to His camp. Do you belong to the Lordâ??s camp?

PRAYER POINT

Father, please be a wall of fire around me and my loved ones, in Jesusâ?? name.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Mark 10-11

HYMN: Rock of Ages

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Todayâ??s devotional, **â??Shielded by His Fire,â?•** reveals a powerful truth: our God is a consuming fire (Hebrews 12:29). And when you belong to Him, His fire becomes your shield â?? not your destruction.

It explains that fire transforms whatever it touches into itself. Cloth catches fire. Wood becomes firewood. In the same way, anyone who is a child of God â?? the Consuming Fire â?? is automatically shielded by His fire.

But there is a condition: to be shielded by the fire, you must belong to His camp. The same fire that lights and protects the Israelites was a terror to the Egyptians.

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1. His Fire Shields You from Bondage

In Judges 15:14-15, Samson was bound with ropes and presented before his enemies. They thought they had subdued him. But the fire of God came upon him mightily, and the ropes were burnt. He killed a thousand of them thereafter.

The enemy may bind you with fear, addiction, sickness, or oppression. But when the fire of God touches those chains, they burn. You are not meant to live in bondage. The Consuming Fire is your shield â?? and He breaks every chain.

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2. His Fire Shields You in the Furnace

Daniel 3 tells the well-known story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They were cast into the fiery furnace because they refused to bow to the kingâ??s golden image. The fire was so hot that it killed those who threw them in. But because God was with them, only the ropes that bound them were burnt. The Consuming Fire shielded them from the fire, and they came out unhurt.

The fire only burns what needs to be burnt: your chains, your bondages, your limitations. You will come out without even the smell of smoke.

3. His Fire Consumes What Should Not Be in You

Daddy shares a testimony of one of his sons who partook of Holy Communion during a Holy Ghost Service. Doctors had been struggling to identify what was causing him pain inside his throat. After partaking of the Communion, the Consuming Fire dealt with what was causing the pain, and he was completely healed.

There are things in your body, your mind, your finances, and your family that God did not plant. Sickness, disease, affliction, stagnation â?? these are not from God. The Consuming Fire can uproot them. But you must invite Him in. You must belong to His camp.

Relating This to Your Everyday Life

Are you facing enemies that seem stronger than you? You may be bound by things you cannot break free from. You may be in a furnace of affliction that feels like it will consume you. But todayâ??s message reminds you that the Consuming Fire is on your side.

But you must belong to His camp. Are you in the Lordâ??s camp? Have you surrendered your life to Jesus? If not, the fire that shields can also consume. But if you are His, then the fire is your shield, your protection, and your glory.

Action Steps

1. Make Sure You Belong to His Camp â?? If you have never surrendered your life to Jesus, do it today. The fire only shields those who belong to Him. Confess Him as Lord. Believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead.

2. Invite the Consuming Fire into Every Area of Your Life â?? Pray specifically: *â??Lord, let Your fire consume every sickness, every bondage, every obstacle that is not from You.â?•*

3. Trust the Fire in the Furnace â?? When you go through fiery trials, remember that the fire cannot burn you when God is with you. It will only burn what needs to be burnt. Trust Him in the process.

Prayer Points

1. Father, I thank You because You are the Consuming Fire, and You are my shield. Thank You for protecting me, refining me, and consuming every enemy that rises against me, in Jesusâ?? name.
2. Lord, forgive me for the times I have feared the fire instead of trusting the Fire. Forgive me for doubting Your protection in the midst of my trials, in Jesusâ?? name.
3. Father, let Your fire consume every bondage in my life. Every chain, every rope, every yoke that the enemy has placed on me â?? let it be burnt by Your fire, in Jesusâ?? name.
4. Lord, I decree that whatever You have not planted in my body shall be uprooted and consumed by fire. Sickness, disease, and affliction have no place in me, in Jesusâ?? name.
5. Father, when I walk through the fire, let me not be burned. Shield me in the furnace. Let me come out without even the smell of smoke, in Jesusâ?? name.

6. Lord, be a wall of fire around me and my family. Protect us from every attack of the enemy. Let Your glory be in our midst, in Jesusâ?? name.
7. Father, I declare that the same fire that is a terror to my enemies is a shield to me. I am safe, I am protected, and I am shielded by Your fire, in Jesusâ?? name.

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